

BRAINSTORMS

With Ferrin Cox

There was a fight at Elba High School last Thursday. Apparently it started as an effort to defend the honor of a girlfriend but before it was over, two non-students were in jail, a number of students face discipline for violating school policies (i.e. fighting) and a bunch of parents were in a panic. Various news media elements didn't help the situation either, with their broadcasts of "Elba is having a race riot." That is as reasonable as crying wolf in a crowded theatre and should carry the same punishment. From all reliable sources, the fighting was over within minutes ... thanks to some level headed students and the fact that most of the Elba students want peaceful assembly to cure an education and are not hunting another excuse to flex their muscles. It would, however, be insulting the intelligence of our readers to downplay the seriousness of Thursday's events or to pretend there were no racial tensions in the school then or now. The positive thing is that the tensions and conflicts are in the open where people of reasonable intelligence, both in and out of the school system, can face them and deal with them in a constructive manner.

The problems at the school apparently began early in the week with a joke which went sour. A number of students, black and white, have related that theory to us. However instead of apologies clearing up the matter, it festered and escalated into some harsh words Thursday. That brought in the non-students and the violence. As always violence begets violence.

It is important to note that it may be that the racial tensions were already strong enough that the early fight was a trigger ... we can only speculate about that idea. We know both the non-student young men who went onto the campus, in fact have known them all their lives. We also know the two students who were struck with the blunt instrument. We consider each of them "good folks." What happened was wrong and it can't be ignored.

We also understand the emotions involved with "defending her honor." At age 13 or 14 we engaged in a few brawls ourselves. I was a best friend because he grabbed the purse of our true love of the day and we saw a tear on her pretty cheek. It was dumb and we both knew it instantly. We resolved the issue ourselves and remained friends. That was easier worked out because it was only a couple of fists, without a drop of blood. Also, our other friends just stood and watched ... none of them helped either of us nor did they start battles. But it was still wrong.

Now, as to all the stories people have told us about other things which went on before, during and after the fight (s) ... we don't know about any one of them specifically. We can write without fear of being caught in our stupidity that it would be impossible for all those tales to be the truth. If you have one you "know it's a fact," so be it. Nothing we could write here would change your opinion. We chose to take the high road and not hunt buggers behind every stump.

Gasoline prices are up, anyone who has purchased a tank of gas lately can attest to this fact. That goes with summer and vacation time. Personally, we had read the news reports and had noticed a little increase but ... we were mortified this week while filling the tank on one of our vehicles. The old Ford must have premium gasoline or it pings and pongs like marbles are loose in the engine. As the fuel was flowing into the tank, we happened to look at the "price per gallon" ... \$1.35! The temptation was to just give them the car and walk, but we didn't. Probably we will just continue to follow the crowd and grumble.

There is a story and picture on the back page about Mrs. Lena Fuller and her jams and jellies. We can put in a special plug for her cooking, 'cause of some sampling and taste testing over the years. The jelly, jam, pepper sauce ... heck it is all good! Making jam preserves is an art - one so many people don't have. Mrs. Fuller picks her figs at the right time, neither over cooks, nor under cooks them. Just the right amount of sugar is added - hey, they are good!

Troy State students are staging the Will Rogers Follies in Troy on Thursday and Friday of this week. Elba's own Art Williams is playing the part of Will. Conflicts with work are kept from us attending and that ain't good. Art and Will Rogers are and were at the talent of Art Williams. We had been looking forward to seeing this performance since he first mentioned he had the part in the production. It is disappointing to miss this, but hopefully friends who share our respect for the talents of Will Rogers and for Art will get the chance to attend one of the performances.

You are invited to attend a Retirement Reception honoring Mrs. Onita Archie in recognition of 48 years of devoted service to the students of Kinston School 1947-1995 Kinston High School Auditorium May 14, 1995 2:00 until 4:00 p.m.

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SOCIAL NOTES

Walker – Kandt to wed September 30th in New Brockton



Miss Walker & Mr. Kandt

Cousins Reunion to be held May 20th

The Bruce and Emma Page Douglass and William (Bill) and Mary Ann Clark's annual Cousins reunion will be held Saturday, May 20, at Gran's Restaurant in Enterprise, AL. Relatives and friends are urged to meet about 11:00 a.m. in the Gran Room and enjoy the meal and fellowship together.

Dyess-Smith Wedding held February 3rd

Melissa Gail Smith and Johnny LaMar Dyess were united in marriage February 3, 1995 at five o'clock in a private ceremony at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Reverend Paul Nelson officiated.

The parents of the couple are Tommy and Jenell McKinnon of Opp and Wilson and Clara Ann Dyess of Elba.

Mrs. Pam Baker provided a short program of music. As Mrs. Dyess played a traditional wedding march, the bride was escorted by Tommy McKinnon, step-father of the bride. The bride was given in marriage by her parents.

The bride wore a candlelight Victorian style gown. The tapestry bodice was white with a lace collar. It featured a long waist forming a V in the front. Victorian lace accented the round neckline and sleeves. A lace and pearl medallion complimented the center front of the bodice. The



Mr. & Mrs. Johnny Dyess

Ronnie Gay, brother of the bride, seated Mrs. McKinnon and Tim Dyess, brother of the groom, seated Mrs. Dyess.

Both mothers were embossed teal dresses.

Reception

Mr. and Mrs. Johnny LaMar Dyess and their families attended a reception following their private wedding on February 3, 1995 at the Elba Country Club.

The bride's table held a candlelight three-tiered wedding cake and two silver candelabras with burgundy candles.

The groom's table featured an octagon-shaped chocolate cake and a fresh fruit centerpiece.

Punch was served from a silver punch bowl. Refreshment tables held a variety of other foods.

Mrs. Gail Jacobs, mother of the groom, decorated the Country Club with a variety of fresh flowers, greenery, candles, and ribbons.

Following their honeymoon in Florida, the couple are making their home in Opp, Alabama.

After Rehearsal Dinner

On February 2, 1995, Mr. and Mrs. Tom Dyess, Mr. and Mrs. John G. Lee, and Mr. and Mrs. Joe Lee had a rehearsal dinner at the lovely country home of Mr. and Mrs. Tom Dyess. A buffet meal was served from the dining room. Guests were seated at tables in the great room.

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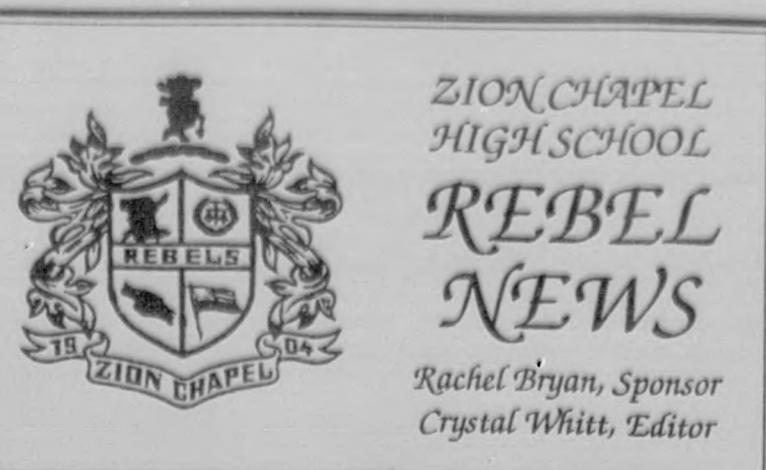
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ZC's Interpreter



Vice President Bryan's Term Of Office Ends

I am Susan Bryan, the 1994-95 Alabama FBLA District IV Vice President. This year was one of the most exciting and eventful years I have ever had. It began with the Vocational Student Officer Council and State Leadership conference in April.

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Views from....

The Pressbox

By Ricky Mularz, Sports Editor

Random thoughts after a very busy weekend...

We spent the weekend on the road between Elba and Huntsville as Melissa reported for a week's stay at the U.S. Space Camp. She won the trip back last fall on WKMY and picked three days that she would want to go, and of course, off the top of her list was the one chosen. My school was still in session. After meeting some of the other campers, it seemed like everyone was still in school. So, Melissa isn't the only one doing a little out-of-class learning. She made us leave the Camp almost an hour before the deadline, which answered any questions about getting homesick, and told us she would call if she thought about it. Lucky for Mom and Dad, she did think about it Sunday night.

It's not often that pitching grabs the spotlight in Dixie Minor League; however, last week the duo of Barnes pitched well and Brandon Lowery pitched well, too. They did their team in to two big wins. The first pitched a total of 12 innings, allowed only 1 hit and struck out 27 batters in the two wins. In their combined no-hit win over the Brewsters, the talented pitchers fanned 17 batters, just one short of the total in the game. Quite a week for these 10-year-olds!

Elba High began spring football drills this week with 48 players expected to greet new coach David Lowery and his staff. Coach Lowery gave the players a week of easier baseball, and everyone is very interested in watching the Tigers at work and seeing how this spring will compare with last 18, all of which were conducted by Coach Mack Wood. Hey, it's a new era in Elba Tiger football and it should be an exciting spring.

I'm not much of a pro basketball fan, but I will admit that I watched a little of the Lakers-Spurs game Saturday afternoon and did have some passing interest in the Bulls-Magic game Sunday. The way I feel about Major League Baseball, I might just become a real NBA fan, or just try to punch the clicker until I can find Andy and Barney.

Two fields won't make a real big difference, and the fields are definitely the kind dreams are made of; however, the Recreation Department has recently completed work on two practice fields behind the old school. The fields have regulation infields and should get better and better as they are used. With almost 50 teams using five fields, any little bit will help!

All-Star Sports wins pair to catch Elba Merchants

All-Star Sports and Graphics knocked off the previously undefeated Elba Merchants last week to move into a tie for first in the Men's Softball League standings.

All-Star and the Merchants both have 5-1 records; however, the Recreation Department has recently completed work on two practice fields behind the old school. The fields have regulation infields and should get better and better as they are used. With almost 50 teams using five fields, any little bit will help!

Following are highlights of last week's action:

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JOHNSON FARMS 19

NALLEY'S 11

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Greg Johnson, Glen Johnson and Charles Hunter all got 3 hits for Johnson's, while Phil Rugg got 2 hits for Nalley's.

GIRLS AGES 13-16 urged to register for softball teams

All girls ages 13-16 that are interested in playing softball in the Elba Recreation Department league are encouraged to register as soon as possible.

The league will be open to all girls that turn 13 before September 1, and not turn 17 until after September 1.

Forms are available at Elba High School and City Hall.

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Sports

Lady Tigers ambush Lady 'Cats 4-3



The Elba Lady Tigers broke out of a long losing streak in a big way last week as they upset the highly-touted Opp Lady Bobcats 4-3, in the opening game of a Monday double-header.

The Lady Tigers lost three games during the week; however, to fall to 6-24 for the season.

Following are last week's highlights:

ELBA 4

OPP 3

The Elba Lady Tigers pushed across the winning run in the bottom of the seventh inning to surprise the Opp Lady Bobcats 4-3, Monday afternoon in Elba.

Elba grabbed a quick 1-0 lead on a single by Mariana Smith and an RBI single by Christy Smith, then pulled out to a 3-1 lead in the third on a two-run homer by Trease Caldwell.

Opp added a lone run in the sixth and shut down the Lady Tigers in the final two innings to claim the 10-5 win.

Marian Smith and Leigh Kelley both got 2 hits for Elba.

LUVERNE 5

ELBA 9

The Elba Lady Tigers managed only four hits and committed nine errors as Luverne claimed a 5-0 win, Wednesday afternoon, in Elba.

Luverne jumped ahead 3-0 on the top of the third, and easily held on for the win as Elba could never get its bats to wake up.

Wendy Baker got 2 hits for Elba.

LUVERNE 10

ELBA 3

The Elba Lady Tigers watched as Luverne scored seven runs in the first two innings to claim a 10-3 win and complete a sweep of the doubleheader.

Luverne struck for three runs in the top of the first, but Elba was ready to rally and scored twice in the bottom of the frame to cut the deficit to 3-2.

Vaughn Boyd reached on an error and Shannon Lott followed with a single to ignite the early Elba rally, but Luverne runners later scored on a Luverne error off the bat of Wendy Baker.

The Lady Tigers pulled even at 3-3 in the fifth when Leigh Kelley reached on a hit and later scored on an RBI single by Vaughan Boyd, but it was the last time the Lady Tigers crossed the plate, while Luverne broke loose late and rolled to the win.

Vaughn Boyd and Shannon Lott got the only hits of the game for Elba, which committed 14 errors in the loss.

ELBA MERCHANTS 28

NALLEY'S 11

The Elba Merchants scored the final 15 runs of the game to pull away and rip Nalley's 28-11.

Giles Bryan got 5 hits to lead the Merchants, while Lee Carpenter added 4, David Sutley and David Lowery got 3 apiece, and John Lott, Matt and Mattie Morris all added 2. Diana Nalley got 3 hits for Nalley's, while Chris Hodges, Keith Ward, Bobby Crawley and Phil Rugg all added 2.

ALL-STAR SPORTS 6

ELBA MERCHANTS 2

All-Star Sports and Graphics jumped ahead early and pulled away late to defeat the Elba Merchants.

Leigh Kelley got 2 hits to lead the Merchants, while Lee Carpenter added 3 and Mattie Morris all added 2.

Josh Caldwell got 2 hits to lead All-Star while Phillip Manning got 2 hits for the Merchants.

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Pictured above are Wesley, age 6, and Katelyn, age 2. They are the children of Mr. and Mrs. Kenneth Calhoun of Elba.



Pictured above are Jauan, age 6, and Tierney, age 4. They are the children of Mr. and Mrs. James Starks, Jr. of Elba.



Pictured above are Chaffin, age 6, and Cameron, age 19 months. They are the children of Tim and Lisa Johnson of Elba.



Pictured above are Nicole, age 6, and Hunter, age 2. They are the children of Dean and Melonie Buir of Elba.



Pictured above is Brian, age 5. He is the son of Dean and Melonie Buir of Elba.



Pictured above is Kyle, age 3. He is the son of Don and Sandy Pope of Elba.



Pictured above are Brad, age 6, and Megan, age 4. They are the children of Scottie and Sandi Sullivan of Elba.



Pictured above is Tiffany Bryan, age 5. She is the daughter of Debby Bryan of Elba.



Pictured above is Ashby Brooke, age 9 months. She is the daughter of Gary and Tabatha Weeks of Elba.



Pictured above is Michael, age 3. He is the son of Shane Spurin and Catina Spurin, both of Elba.



Pictured above is Taylor, age 2. She is the daughter of Joseph and Tonya Creel of Elba.



Pictured above is Jantzen, age 2. He is the son of Tim and Melissa Flowers of Elba.



Pictured above is Whitney, age 2 1/2. She is the daughter of Chad and Candi Chancellor of Elba.



Pictured above is Seth Paul Lolley, age 7 months. He is the son of Scott and Gena Lolley of Chancellor.



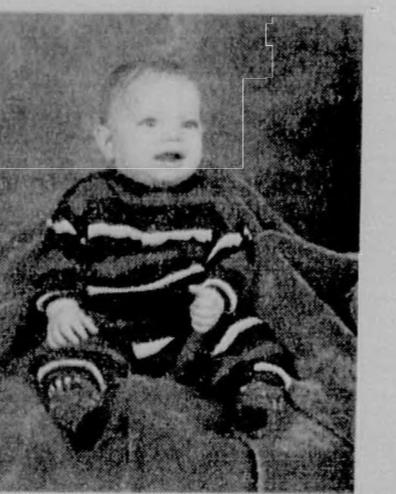
Pictured above is Hayes Ballard Spicer, age 4 months. He is the son of Terry and Ceina Spicer of Elba.



Pictured above are Chase Graham, age 7, and Kayla Kyser, age 5. Chase is the son of Wendy Kyser and Keith Graham, and Kayla is the daughter of Wendy Kyser of Elba.



Pictured above are Tessa, age 6, and Cordin, age 3. They are the children of Joe and Melinda Lee of Elba.



Pictured above is Chase, age 6 months. He is the son of Shane and Charla Meek of Elba.



Pictured above are Connor Patton Key, age 9 months, and Jurnn Patton Key, age 7 months. They are the children of Scott and Sabrina Kelley of Elba.



Pictured above is Garrett, age 7 1/2 months. He is the son of Troy and Jill Dunn of Elba.



Pictured above are Melanie Reese Mularz, age 6, and Melissa Hope Mularz, age 12. They are the children of Mr. and Mrs. Ricky Mularz of Elba.



Pictured above is Stephanie, age 3 1/2, and Chad, age 10 months. They are the children of Tim and Stacie Beavers of Elba.



Pictured above is Billy Maurice Duggers, II, age 18 months. He is the son of Billy and Bridget Duggers of Elba.



Pictured above is Matthew, age 5. He is the son of Matt and Stephanie Brunson of Elba.

NEW ARRIVALS

TAYLOR ELIZABETH HUDSON



Keith and Hope (Taylor) Hudson of Enterprise, AL, announce the birth of their daughter, Taylor Elizabeth Hudson, on February 23, 1995, at 11:50 a.m. Taylor weighed 6 lbs. 11 oz., and was 18 1/2 inches long. Proud grandparents are Franklin and Diane Taylor of Elba, AL, Judy C. Hudson of Daleville, AL, and Albert W. and Brenda Hudson of Samson, AL. Great grandparents are the late Lester and Olene Taylor of Elba, AL, the late Lillian Hilliard of Luverne, AL, Carl and Jackie Morrison of Elkmont, AL, Charlie Ray and Gladys Hollingshead of Elba, AL, and Gladys and Geraldine Hudson of Dozier, AL.

Taylor Elizabeth Hudson

SHANE ASHLEY MARLER



Doug and Melanie Marler, formerly of Enterprise, AL, announce the birth of their son, Shane Ashley Marler, on April 3, 1995 in Neuenburg, Germany. He weighed 7 lbs., 13 oz., and was 19 inches long. Proud grandparents are Mary Marler of Elba, AL, and the Budd Marler and Mose and Janet Ordway of Enterprise, AL. Great grandparents are Orice and Ada Mae Marler of Brooksville, FL, and the late Mr. and Mrs. Morgan Grant of Elba, AL. Mr. and Mrs. Dorsey Ordway of Shippenburg, PA, and Mr. and Mrs. Walter Hock of Shippenburg, PA, and Mr. and Mrs. Kenneth Hockenbreeze of Carlisle, PA.

Shane Ashley Marler

David Maddaloni is four years old



David Maddaloni

Pictured above is Khaled, age 3 months. He is the son of Alice D. Hammonds of Elba.

Brandon

Pictured above are Brandon, age 9, and Kelli, age 21 months. They are the children of Donna Arnold of Jack.

Graham

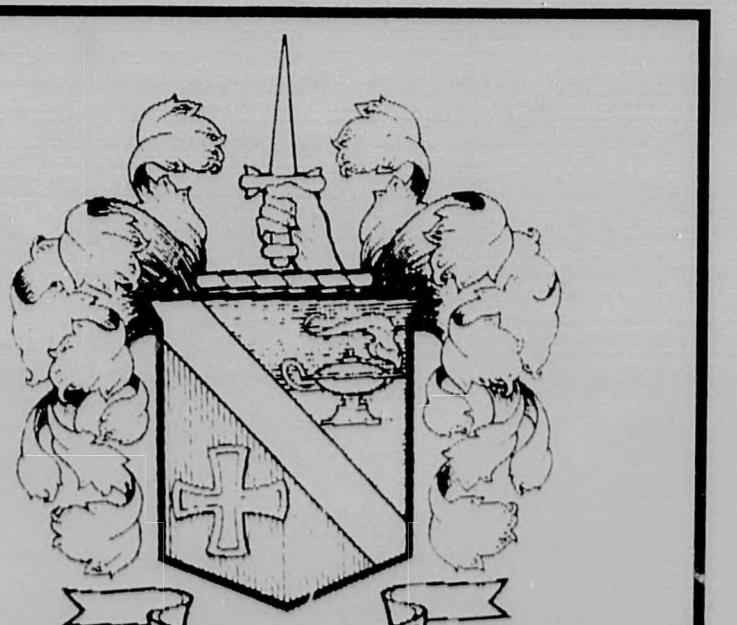
Pictured above are Graham, age 5, and Rachel, age 3. They are the children of Ronald and Angela Morrow of Elba.

Ashton

Pictured above are Ashton Kyle, age 2, and Mason Bryant, age 5 months. They are the children of Mark and Robin Davis of Elba.

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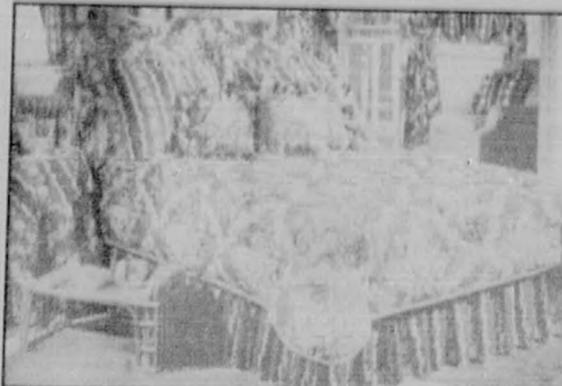
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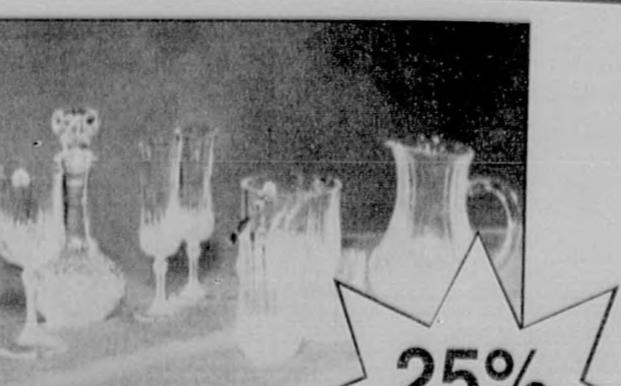
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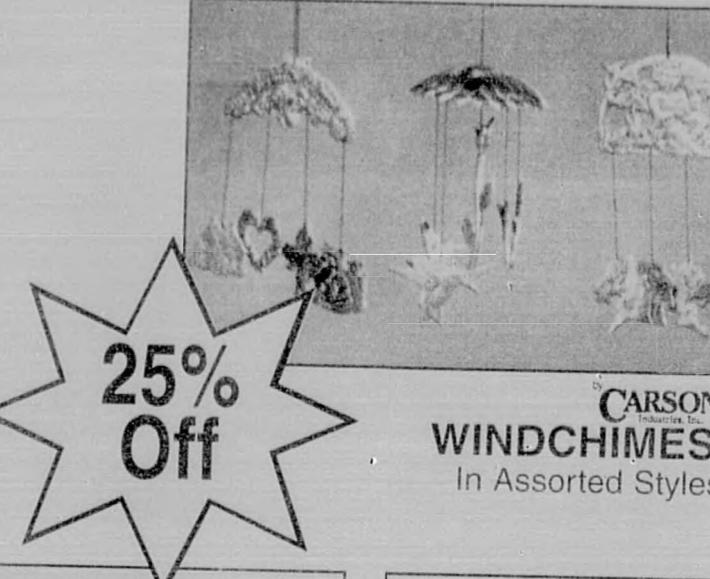


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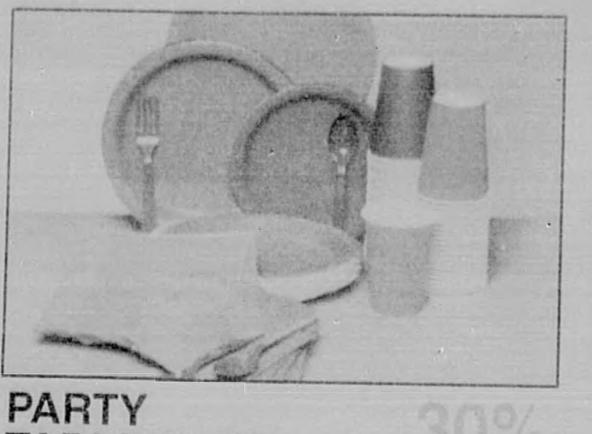


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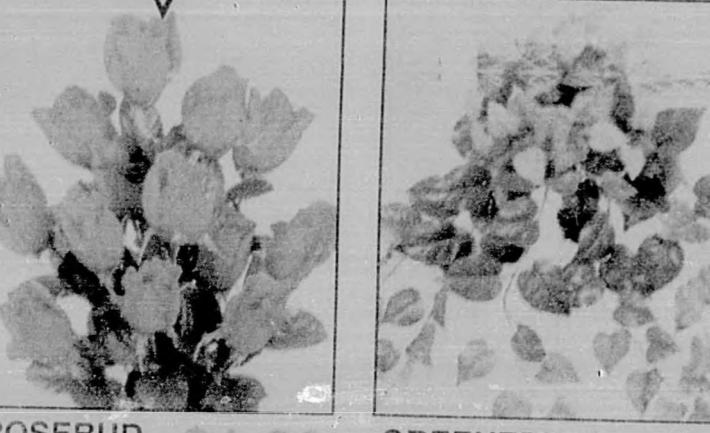
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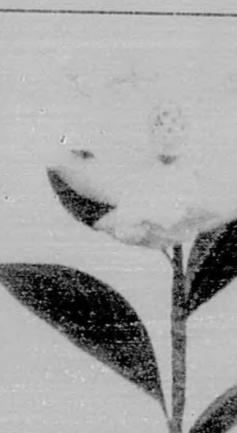
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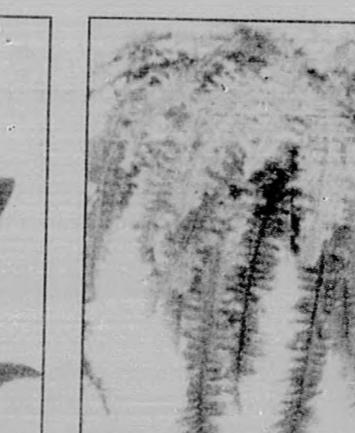
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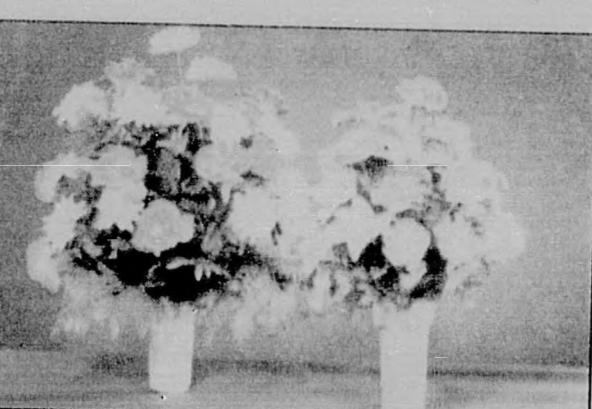
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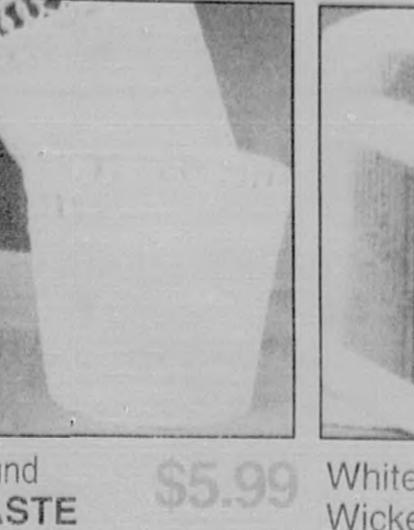
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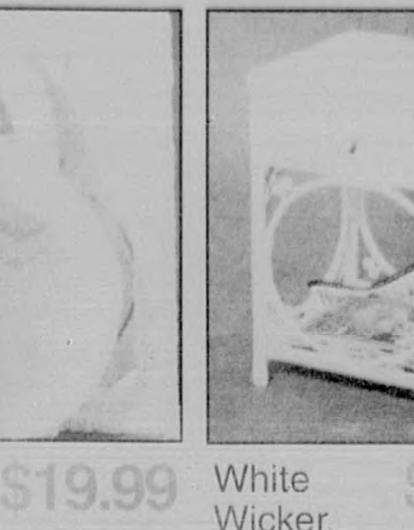
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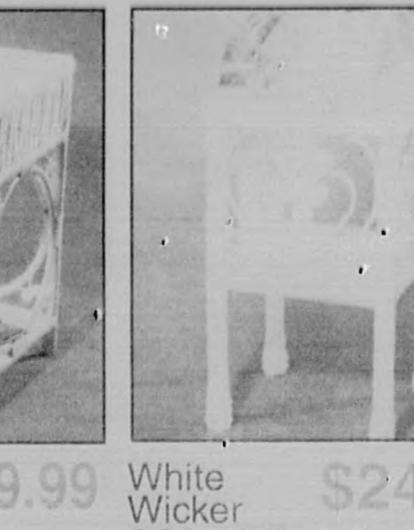
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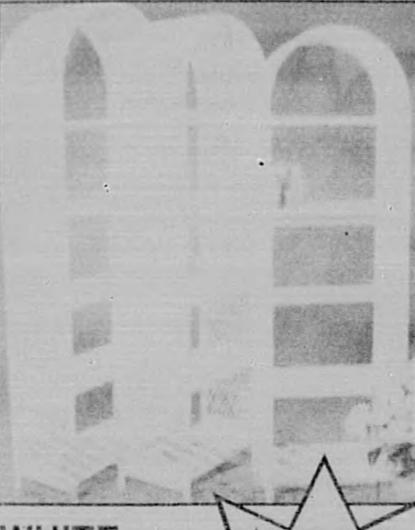


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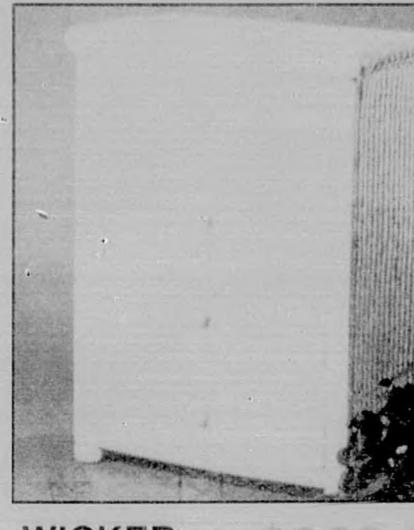
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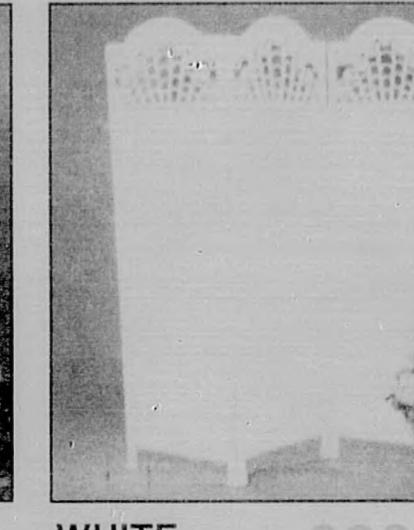
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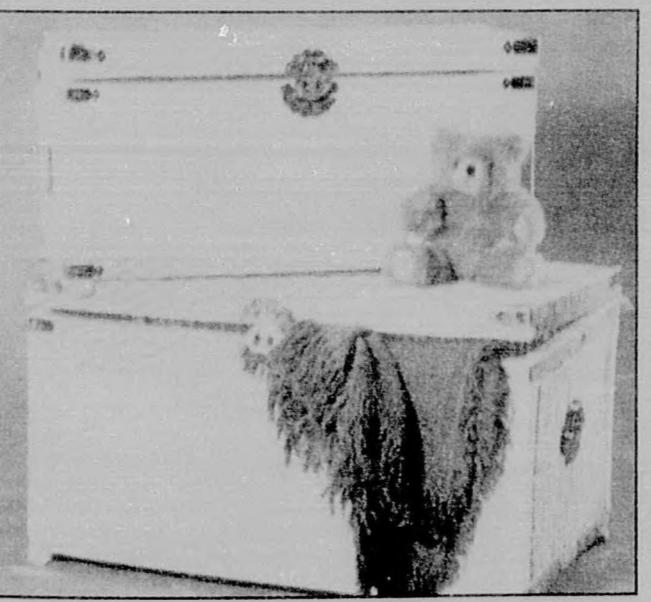


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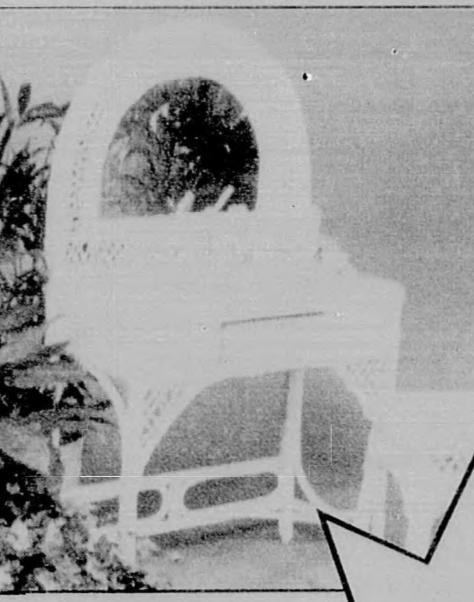


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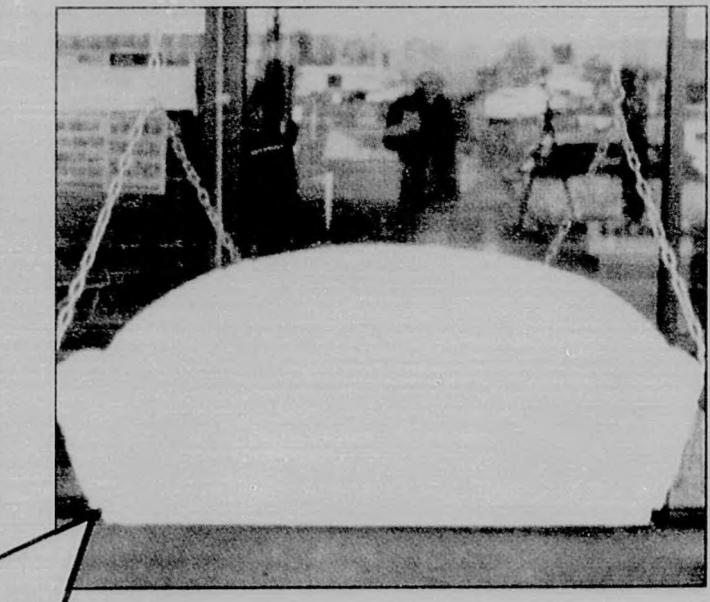
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Stephens named to lead Elba school board

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Publisher

The Elba City School Board had 12 visitors/parents in attendance last Thursday evening, in addition to the regular two newspaper reporters.

None of the visitors addressed the board officially due to a sometimes unspoken rule of the board. Policy requires an individual or group be placed on the agenda prior to a meeting in order to address the group.

Both Chairman Eddie Kelley and Superintendent Charles Pearce encouraged the visitors to com-

municate their concerns with the school officials and to attend the board members. "We are concerned about any issue you have," Kelley said.

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However, following the meeting board members and Pearce talked individually with the parents present and appeared to satisfy each visitor's

appointment to a full five year term on the board. He was appointed to the unexpired term of Mrs. Shirley Hatcher, who resigned two years ago.

The board accepted the recommendation of Pearce and approved furnishing a summer camp bus for the Coffee County Association of Residential Care (CCARC).

However, the financial statement of the school system indicates an increase in the general fund balance. Pearce said this was normal for this time of the year, as utilities and other expenses drop for the summer months.

The superintendent said the school was "on target or exceeding" budget predictions. Pearce said he is optimistic about the budget because income from local taxes is running slightly higher than budgeted.

The school board members went into a forty minute executive session to discuss "the good name and character of an employee" before adjourning.

NBHS SCIENCE CLUB CYSTIC FIBROSIS WALK-A-THON... Bright and early Saturday morning, May 6, 17 eager New Brockton High School students, as well as many cheerful volunteers, sponsored a six-mile walkathon for Cystic Fibrosis research. The route that the volunteers strode began at New Brockton High School, proceeded to Highway 51, and returned to New Brockton. The students, who were accompanied by their parents, volunteered their time and money helped to raise over \$600.00 for the Cystic Fibrosis Foundation. The New Brockton High School Science Club expressed a distinct thank you to Chief Charles Driggers of the New Brockton Police Department for ensuring safety, and Mrs. Patricia Miley for her assistance.

EVERETT ASKS NAVY SECRETARY FOR EXPLANATION

Army Secretary to review ATTC move

In a House Committee on National Security hearing on Wednesday, May 3, Congressman Terry Everett received a pledge from the Navy Secretary, John West, to personally review the ATTC's proposal to relocate the Army's Technical Test Center (ATTC) from Ft. Rucker to Yuma Proving Grounds, Arizona.

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***Council was advised that police officer John King would be on medical leave for 4 to 6 weeks due to a back injury.

***Approved the temporary hiring of Phillip Dodson to fill in the police department due to the manpower shortage.

***Approved radar repairs to the old Ford police car.

"Secretary West told me that due to the high level of interest in the ATTC matter, he would review that case personally to ensure that a fair and reasonable decision was made," Everett said.

"Normally, this decision would be made by the Army operational commands, but due to the significance placed on the ATTC issue, the Army will be directly involved," Everett said.

Everett was advised that the House Committee on National Security, which is in the mission of Ft. Rucker and he also realizes that I am not going to let go of this issue. I will continue to work with Senator Howell Heflin and Richard Shelby to bring this issue to a conclusion," Everett said.

"It has to be pre-determined, because there are too many tangible and intangible costs for keeping this operation at Ft. Rucker," Everett said.

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